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1. On 19 February 1952, a Soviet tent camp was observed in the Rowa Forest about 5 km southeast of Neubrandenburg (N 54/U 66), near the localities of Kuessow, Karlshöhe and Fritscheshof. The camp quartered at least part of the troops that had been unloaded in Neubrandenburg between 17 and 19 February. Soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia were seen laying a heavy field wire from Kuessow to the woods. [redacted] were seen with these soldiers. Trucks [redacted] moved out of the woods toward Neubrandenburg. They were driven by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Two majors wearing signal insignia and riding in jeep [redacted]
2. The tent camp on the western perimeter of the Rowa Forest quartered a signal unit, a major motor transport unit and another motorized unit of about battalion strength. The units started departing from the camp by road toward Stavenhagen via Burg Stargard-Neubrandenburg on the morning of 20 February. [redacted] the troops as far as the village of Jeltin, west of Neubrandenburg. The road was marked by signs which bore the inscription "March Route No 2".

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* [REDACTED] Comment. Compare with previous information [REDACTED] on the unloading of 9 or 10 troop trains in Neubrandenburg on 17 and 18 February. The vehicles observed with the troops belong to all components of the Third Shock Army. [REDACTED] . [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] covered only the billeting area of headquarters troops of the IX Itz Rifle Corps and of the components of the 24th Gds Itz Rifle Div in the western portion of the Rova Forest on 17 February. The billeting area of the other units were not determined. Regarding the information from the Neubrandenburg area, it can fairly definitely be said that the exercise held there was a command-post exercise which involved signal units and units with heavy weapons, excluding tank units. In connection with the command-post exercise, the troops probably practiced entraining and detraining, the preparation of assembly areas for motorized units, and long-distance road marches. It is believed that the troops from Schwerin returned to their home station by road.

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